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SUBJECT: FY-1977 MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT ON THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN
THE POLITICAL PROCESS: NOMINATION OF MRS. EVA SZILAGYI

REF: BUDAPEST 2126, STATE 163746

NAME: MRS. EVA SZILAGYI.

PROJECT: ROLE OF WOMEN IN THE POLITICAL PROCESS

TYPE OF GRANT: MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT, CODE 211.

JUSTIFICATION: NOMINATED BY THE INSTITUTE OF CULTURAL
RELATIONS, INTERVIEWED AND APPROVED BY P&C OFFICERS.
MRS. SZILAGYI IS A WELL-KNOWN JOURNALIST/COLUMNIST, WRITING
FOR THE POPULAR WEEKLY JOURNAL "NOK LAPJA". SHE IS THE
WIFE OF FORMER DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER BELA SZILAGYI.
TENTATIVE VISA ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION: CONSULAR SECTION
HAS NOTHING ON RECORD TO INDICATE INELIGIBILITY.

AVAILABILITY DATES: DATES OF PROJECT.

BIOGRAPHIC DATA:

PLACE OF BIRTH: ERSEKUJVAR, HUNGARY

DATE OF BIRTH: JULY 1, 1925.

MARITAL STATUS: MARRIED; CHILDREN: TWO.

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PRESENT POSITION: JOURNALIST/COLUMNIST FOR WEEKLY

MAGAZINE "NOK LAPJA", FREE-LANCE AUTHOR.

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND: UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE, BUDAPEST,
2 YEARS.

PUBLICATIONS: "WOMEN'S LIFE IN AFRICA", 1972; " ON THE
ISLAND OF APRHRODITE", 1974; AUTHOR OF TRAVELOGUES,
ARTICLES AND PAMPHLETS ON PAKISTAN, INDIA, SOUTH AMERICA;
ON INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR; RESPONSIBLE FOR TV
PROGRAMS ON "WOMEN IN HISTORY", "THE SITUATION OF
ILLITERACY IN THE WORLD". NUMEROUS RADIO REPORTS
AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO BOOKS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS.

LANGUAGES: GERMAN, ENGLISH: BOTH FLUENT.

TRAVEL: TRAVEL AS JOURNALIST AND/OR WIFE OF DIPLOMAT
TO INDONESIA, TANZANIA, ETHIOPIA, INDIA, PAKISTAN, LATIN
AMERICA. WAS HUNGARIAN REPRESENTATIVE TO MEXICO CITY
CONFERENCE ON WOMEN (1975) AND U.N. WORLD CONFERENCE
OF WOMEN IN BERLIN (1975).

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MRS. SZILAGYI IS A LOQUACIOUS AND PERSONABLE WOMAN
WHO, ALTHOUGH NEVER IN THE STATES, HAS AN EXCELLENT
GRASP OF CONTEMPORARY AMERICA. SHE IS AN AUTHOR OF
A FORTHCOMING BOOK OF PORTRAITS ON CONTEMPORARY FAMOUS
WOMEN, MARGARET MEAD AND JANE FONDA AMONG OTHERS.
AS FAR AS PROGRAM SCHEDULE WILL ALLOW, SHE EXPRESSED
INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING:

- A. MEETING WITH GROUPS OR INDIVIDUALS (I.E. LIZ
CARPENTER) WORKING ON EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT.
- B. SECURING APPOINTMENTS WITH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
BETTY FRIEDEN, HEW SECRETARY HILLS, ACTRESSES LOUISE
FLETCHER OR JANE FONDA, MARGARET MEAD, JOYCE BROTHERS,
ELLY PETERSEN, MARY MCCATRTHY.
- C. MEETINGS WITH INDIVIDUALS/GROUPS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
OR SOCIOLOGISTS WORKING WITH PROBLEMS OF WOMEN IN
CONTEMPORARY SOCIETIES.
- D. MEETING WOMEN IN CONGRESS OR OFFICIALDOM, I.E.:
BELLA ABZUG, BARBARA JORDAN, SHIRLEY CHISHOLM OR
MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVE FROM NEW JERSEY MILICENT
FENWICK.
- E. SECURING APPOINTMENT WITH OFFICE AT DEPARTMENT
OF LABOR DEALING WITH PROBLEMS OF WOMEN IN LABOR

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MRS. SZILAGYI IS INTERESTED IN AMERICAN THEATRE, LITERATURE,
HISTORY AND ART, MODERN ART SPECIFICALLY. SHE WOULD
WELCOME EXPOSURE TO ALL AMERICANA AND IS ESPECIALLY A
FAN OF BENJAMIN FRANKLIN. TO GAIN A MORE BALANCED PER-
CEPTION OF THE U.S. SHE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN VISITING
RURAL AREAS OR SMALL TOWNS IN THE U.S. IN ADDITION TO

CITIES SUCH AS BOSTON, NEW ORLEANS, MINNEAPOLIS, HOLLYWOOD
AND DISNEYLAND.
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